

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



July 9, 2023

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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The front of the bulletin and the color of the minister's stole is currently green as this is the time in the Christian Year known as ordinary time or the Sundays after Pentecost. Green represents life and growth in Christ.

The importance of realizing that Jesus Christ is the judge cannot be overemphasized. At the end we shall not approach a distant doomsday, but we shall be confronted by an immediate presence. If only we realized it, it is the presence of a living and loving person, however mediated, with whom we have to deal here and now, and with whom we are bound to deal hereafter

J. E. Fison

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Courtesy walker and wheelchair are available at the main entrance.

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† Congregation standing

Order of the Worship of God

— July 9, 2023 —

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Elder: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

†The Call to Worship

Elder: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!

People: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from trouble.

Elder: Whoever is wise, let him attend to God's redemption; let him consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

Psalm 107:1-2, 43

† Hymn of Praise

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see
only thou art holy; there is none beside Thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826 | John B. Dykes, 1861

† Invocation

† A Psalm Reading

Psalm 107:4-9

Elder: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within in them.

People: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and He delivered them from their distresses.

Elder: He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.

People: Let them thank the LORD for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works to the children of man!

Elder: For He satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul He fills with good things.

† Doxology

Gloria Patri

Red Trinity Hymnal #735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Confession of Sin

Elder: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: O LORD, we have sinned. Therefore, we will acknowledge our sin to you and we will not cover up our iniquity. Rather, we will confess our transgressions, trusting that You will forgive the iniquity of our sin, through Your Son and our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Adapted from Psalm 32

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;

Lord, have mer - cy on me;

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;

Lord, have mer - cy on me.

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† Assurance of Pardon

Elder: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

All: Praise and glory be to our merciful God!

Psalm 50:12

† The Greeting of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

At this time, please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.

† Song of Renewal

HIS MERCY IS MORE

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more (*Chorus*)

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

†Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

Elder: Christian, in whom do we believe?

**All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth,
 of all things visible and invisible.

 And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

 the only- begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all
 worlds, God of God,

 Light of Light, very God of very God,

 begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
 by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation
 came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit
 of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also
 for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and
 the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and
 ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the
 Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the
 living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

 And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord and Giver of life,**

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshipped and glorified;

who spoke by the prophets;

And we believe in one holy *catholic and apostolic church; we
acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we
look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world
to come. Amen.

*universal

Prayer of Intercession.

Scott Hames

Prayer for Students and Chaperones RYM Florida

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: Lord God Almighty, we thank You for giving us what is most precious to You – Your Son! By Your Spirit, may we honor You by honoring Your Son. Amen.

Morning Offering & KIWI Release

*Children Pre-K through 2nd grade can now be dismissed for KIWI
(Kids In Worship Instruction).*

Teachers will meet the children in the foyer to take them to class.

After the sermon, their teachers will return them to worship where they may come directly to you, or you may meet them at the back of the auditorium.

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LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

The Reading of the Word

Luke 18:9-14

[9] He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: [10] “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. [11] The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. [12] I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ [13] But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ [14] I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Bradford Green

RUF Campus Minister at TCU

THE VERDICT WE CRAVE

The Pharisee

The Tax Collector

The Verdict

Discussion Questions:

1. What sort of person is the Pharisee? Who— or what category of person— does he remind you of?
2. What sort of person is the Tax Collector? Who— or what category of person— does he remind you of?
3. What is the picture of repentance we see? Why is true repentance so difficult?
4. According to the passage, what are the requirements of humility?
5. In what ways do you seek a verdict in your life?
6. Why is God the only one who can give you the verdict you seek?

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

The Celebration of Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven we praise and magnify Your glorious name evermore praising You and singing:



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Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

The Confession

Pastor: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

People: Hallelujah!

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of the Faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. Hallelujah!

Pastor: And now our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and say:

All: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Yours is the Kingdom and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

Pastor: The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us now partake of the feast!

*(Clear cups are wine and purple cups are grape juice,
Gluten/ Dairy free wafers are individually wrapped)*

Statements for Communion:

“The body of Christ for you.”

“The blood of Christ for you.”

“You have new life in Christ.”

“You have full forgiveness in Christ.”

Understanding Holy Communion

“For Christ our Passover has also been sacrificed for us,
therefore, let us celebrate the feast.” – 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Because we believe the Table belongs to the Lord, it is vital that you come this morning on His terms:

1. You must be in communion with Jesus Christ by faith and repentance, trusting Him alone for your salvation.
– *1 Corinthians 11:27-29*
2. You must be in communion with your brothers and sisters in Christ. –
Matthew 5:23-24; Ephesians 4:1-6
3. You must be in communion with the church (any Bible-believing church) as a baptized member in good standing.
– *Matthew 18:15-18; Hebrews 13:17*
4. Because we seriously heed Scripture's admonition in 1 Corinthians 11:28-29, we invite children who are ready to make a public profession of saving faith to complete the Communicants Class materials available at the book table, arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become regular “communicants” at the Lord’s Table. Contact Rebecca York at rebecca@fortworthpca.org.

*"But let a man examine himself, and so let him
eat of the bread and drink of the cup."
– 1 Corinthians 11:28-29*

Prayers for Those Not Communing

For those searching for truth: Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who You are. Give me the ability to follow You no matter what it might cost me. Give me an understanding for You that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that You promise. Amen.

For those who desire to profess faith in Christ: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead and are now representing me at the Father's right hand in heaven, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

A prayer for those struggling against sin: Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in You the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that You have set before me, looking only to You, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

A prayer for covenant children who have not yet made a profession of faith: Lord Jesus, thank You for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow You as one of Your disciples. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST

Should nothing of our efforts stand,
No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house,
In vain its builders strive.
To you who boast tomorrow's gain,
Tell me what is your life?
A mist that vanishes at dawn.
All glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ our King!
All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ!

His will be done His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love.
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ! *Chorus*

When on that day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new.
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er His people be
All glory be to Christ! *Chorus*

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† The Sending

Pastor: All our problems, struggles, fears, and anxieties:

All: We send them to the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All the devil's works:

All: We cast them on the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All our hopes:

All: We set them on the risen Christ.

Pastor: The call we have received to follow Christ:

All: We rest in the reigning Christ and the power of His Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

† The Blessing

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Andy Warren – July 9

Pete Cansick– July 16

Herb Haertner– July 23

Save the Date

Women's Summer Salad Supper– July 25, 7 p.m

New Member's Class begins– August 20, 9 a.m.

Information & Events

Visitors: Pick up visitor information at the visitor kiosk in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

Summer Prayer Guides are available on the Fellowship Hall table to help families focus on praying together this summer. **Please grab one for each person in your family!**

Christian Formation Classes will return at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 20, including FWPC 101 for anyone wanting to learn more about the church's vision and ministries, service and fellowship opportunities, membership, and more. All are welcome, and the class is required to become a new member. Registration is open at fortworthpca.org/adult

Ladies Game Night: Join us for a night of fun in the Lecture Hall from 7:00-9:00 p.m. **Monday, July 10.** Friends and snacks to share are welcome. Decaf coffee and water are provided. Ladies Game Night occurs monthly on the first Monday unless it's a holiday.





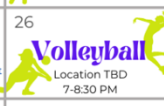
FWPC Kid Art: We would love to post art in the nursery hallway by our own children with the theme of growth and using lots of greens to coincide with the liturgical season after Pentecost that we are currently in. It can be as abstract or as concrete as your children wish. If families enjoy this, it may become a tradition we repeat with the theme and colors of each Church season. Email, call, or text Neecia Eggar (info on back) if you have any questions.

Serving Covenant Children: The fall nursery schedule is being created for release in August. As adults serve children in this way, both the children AND the adults are being raised more into the image of Christ. People of all abilities can serve our nursery by; (1) volunteering during worship 3-6 times each year, (2) leading a Christian Formation class for the fall or spring semester, or (3) joining the Nursery Check-in Greeter Team. To volunteer to serve in one of these ways, scan the QR code and sign up.



SUMMER AT

JULY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2	3	4	5	6	7 H.S. Book Study Dinner & Strange New World Robnett Home 6 PM	8 
9 	RYM HS - PANAMA CITY BEACH					15
16	17	18 Bible Study, 10:30 Girls with Cassidy at her home* Guys with Travis at FWPC	19  Field Day Fort Worth Pres 7-8:30 PM	20 H.S. Book Study Dinner & Strange New World Robnett Home 6 PM	21	22
23	24  Main Event Night 6-9 PM	25 Bible Study, 10:30 Girls with Cassidy at her home* Guys with Travis at FWPC	26  Volleyball Location TBD 7-8:30 PM	27 H.S. Book Study Dinner & Strange New World Robnett Home 6 PM	28	29
30	31 Bible Study, 10:30 Girls with Cassidy at her home* Guys with Travis at FWPC					

*Contact Cassidy for directions.

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women's

SUMMER salad SUPPER

TUES, JULY 25, 7:00 PM
STACKPOLE HOME - 12701 W ROCKY CREEK RD

Bring a salad or dessert to share.

Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2022-May 2023

June – May	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	1,315,735	1,258,981
General Fund Expenses YTD	1,320,143	1,163,491
How we're doing YTD	-4,408	95,490

Our Fiscal Year ended May 31. Last Fiscal Year, our giving was \$-4,408 less than our expenses. We experienced a 4.5% increase in giving last Fiscal Year that offset most of the increased budget. As of May 31, we have \$269,295 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Hispanic American Ministries through our denomination's work of Mission to North America.

- ❖ NEW! Mobile Giving: Text the amount you want to give to 817-934-6447. The first time will take you through the setup. After that, text the amount you would like to give.
- ❖ If you would like to give online, you can sign up for ACH/Credit/Debit giving from our home page fortworthpca.org.
- ❖ If you would like to contribute stocks or securities from a brokerage account, you can contact Steve Fults 817-731-3300 and he can give you the instructions for these types of gifts.
- ❖ If you would like to include FWPC in your estate planning, you can contact Steve Fults with any questions you may have.

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By God's grace and all for his glory, Fort Worth Presbyterian Church exists to gather for biblically saturated worship, grow together in the life of the gospel, and go out to bear witness to the reign of Christ in all things.

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